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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Confirmation No.: 8295
Gary K. Michelson)	
Serial No.: 09/921,844)	Group Art Unit: 3738
Filed: August 3, 2001)	Examiner: Bruce E. Snow
For: SPINAL IMPLANT SURFACE)	
CONFIGURATION)	

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

Prior to the further examination and in reply to the Final Office Action of December 15, 2008, the period for reply having been extended for three (3) months by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.

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